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Table 1

China's Exports by Commodities
1956
Value

Millions of US dollars

	Total Exports	Exports to			
		Free World 1/	USSR 2/	Eur. Sat. 3/	Far East. Sat. 3/
Grains	60.1				
Rice	(57.5)		64.3	5.1	
Wheat			3.8		
Millet			1.0		
Other	(2.6)				
Oilseeds	64.8		99.7		
Soybeans	(38.0)		(53.6)	21.9	
Peanuts	(5.6)		(35.8)	15.4	
Oilcake			(1.0)		
Other	(21.2)			3.0 4/	
Fruits and Vegetables	44.7		20.3		
Fruits			(14.1)		
Canned goods	55.0 5/				
Eggs	30.6		2.7		
Fish	10.5		0.5		
Flour			2.8		
Meat	12.9		63.1	16.9	
Pork					
Live Cattle	25.4		2.9		
Honey	1.1				
Oils, Vegetable			25.7	6.7	
Peanut Oil	4.2				
Tea	23.8		12.5		
Essential Oils	6.5 6/	5.0 6/			
Casings			10.1		
Dyestuffs, Tanning, Materials, Lacquer			1.6		
Bristles	8.3				
Hemp			3.2		
Jute	3.7		4.0		
Rubber			12.9		
Silk	13.6		23.5		
Tobacco	1.9		29.9		
Tung Oil	13.5		7.0		
Starch			1.8		
Ramie			6.4		
Wool			21		
Resin	7.1				
Furs			2.0		
Hides, raw			9.1		
Cement	2.7		8.8		
Coal	11.1		2.1		9.5
Fluorspar	0.8		2.3		
Magnesite			2.4		
Salt	8.3		0.9		
Sulphur			3.0		
Talc	0.4		1.7		
Piezoequartz			.8		

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Table 1 (cont'd)

	Millions of US dollars			
	Total Exports	Free World 1/	USSR 2/	Exports to Eur. Sat. 3/ Far East. Sat. 3/
Ores and Concentrates			75.5	
Alumina			(2.2)	
Aluminum Shale		0.4		
Lead			(2.1)	
Zinc			(0.2)	
Iron Ore		0.1		11.0 4/
Magnesia Clinker		3.8		
Iron and Steel		10.2	6.1	
Pig Iron		0.9	21.0	2.2
Nonferrous Metals and Alloys			50.4	
Aluminum		0.8	(2.2)	
Antimony			(3.9)	
Alloys			(7.1)	
Tin		0.9	(32.4)	
Chemicals			18.7	
Caustic Soda			(3.3)	
Soda Ash			(4.0)	
Sodium Sulphate			(3.0)	
Bertholet Salt			(0.3)	
Colophane			(3.8)	
Pharmaceuticals			(2.1)	
Ships			9.2	
Textiles		24.0	65.7	
Rope, Nets, Sacks			5.0	
Clothing			30.5	
Leather Shoes			3.7	
Handicraft art goods	25.0 7/			

Table 2

China's Exports by Commodities
1956
Volume

	Metric tons, unless otherwise noted				
	Total Exports	Free World 1/	USSR 2/	Eur. Sat. 3/	Far East. Sat.
Grains	1,320,000 <u>9/</u>				
Rice		515,600	457,600	36,200	
Wheat			38,800		
Millet			15,800		
Other		16,000			
Oilseeds					
Soybeans	1,120,000 <u>10/</u>	323,200	548,500	224,500	
Peanuts		23,600	182,000	78,300	
Oilcake			15,000		
Other		117,000		14,400	
Fruits			79,600		
Canned Goods	36,000 <u>11/</u>				
Eggs		36,000 <u>12/</u>			
Fish		33,100	3,800		
Flour			20,300		
Meat			123,600	33,100	
Pork	162,000 <u>13/</u>				
Live Cattle			19,800		
Honey	approx. 3,000 <u>14/</u>	3,300			
Oils, Vegetable	140,000 <u>15/</u>	40,000	81,300	21,100	
Peanut Oil		(13,400)			
Tea	43,000 <u>16/</u>	23,300	12,600		
Essential Oil casings			1,700		
Bristles		1,500			
Hemp			7,500		
Jute			20,000		
Rubber			16,900		
Silk		3,300 <u>12/</u>	2,342		
Tobacco	50,000 <u>17/</u>	2,800	32,900		
Tung Oil		23,300	15,000		
Starch			12,300		
Ramie			12,700		
Wool			13,000		
Resin		40.0			
Cement	954,000 <u>18/</u>	142,000 <u>12/</u>	786,200		
Coal		800,200	209,000		
Fluorspar		33,000	30,200		50,000 <u>19/</u>
Magnesite			40,200		
Salt		878,400	118,300		
Sulphur			50,000		
Talc		13,200	68,200		
Piezoquartz					

Table 2 (cont'd)

Metric tons, unless otherwise noted

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	Total Exports	Free World 1/	USSR 2/	Eur. Sat. 8/	Far East. Sat.
Ores and Concentrates					
Alumina			20,000		
Aluminum Shale		15,500			
Lead			17,000		
Zinc			2,700		
Iron Ore		10,500			
Magnesia Clinker		78,800		733,000	20/
Iron and Steel	200,700 21/	91,900 12/	53,900		
Pig Iron	555,298 22/	9,900 12/	467,600	49,800	
Nonferrous Metals and Alloys					
Aluminum			38,600		
Antimony			(4,700)		
Alloys		500	(7,000)		
Tin			(10,500)		
			(15,700)		
Chemicals					
Caustic Soda	82,400 23/		49,200		
Soda Ash	153,260 23/		107,300		
Sodium Sulphate			21,200		
Bertholet Salt			1,500		
Colophane			24,400		

Table 3

China's Imports by Commodities
1956
Value

	Total Imports	Millions of US dollars		
		Free World ²⁴ /	USSR ¹ /	Eur. Sat. ²⁵ / Far East. ²⁶ /
Metals and Machinery	94.7			
Machinery			304.7	
less Vehicles			(288.7)	61
Power Plant			(7.2)	
Machine Tools			(5.4)	
Petroleum Equip.			(19.2)	
Complete plants			(217.0)	
Agr. Machinery			(9.1)	
Vehicles			(16.0)	
Petroleum and Prod.	2.8		86.0	4
Ferrous Metals			62.4	15
Cable and Wire			1.2	
Chemicals	101.0		4.8	24
Fertilizers	(60)			(7)
Paper			5.7	
Nonferrous Metals			16.8	9
Cotton	47,800 tons ²⁶ /	50.0		
Rubber		55.5		
Sugar	22.2 ²⁷ /	7.2		
Tobacco		5.0		
Jute		5.9		
Wool, etc.		37.0		
Scientific books		5.0 ²⁸ /		
Cement		302,000 tons ²⁹ /		50,000 tons ²⁹ /

Source References to Tables 1 - 3.

1. Unless otherwise indicated, exports to the Free World by value and by volume are based on the statistics of Free World countries as reported in the Department of Commerce's Commodity by country series. (It is recognized that some figures may be over-valued and some undervalued.)
2. USSR, Ministry of Foreign Trade, Foreign Trade of the USSR for 1956, Moscow 1958, U.
3. The value of exports to the Satellites has been calculated by applying to the volume of these exports the average price of the exports to the USSR. Exceptions are documented.
4. EIC-RI-86, Dec 57, p. 52, S.
5. A 56 percent increase in volume in 1956 over 1955, when exports were equivalent to 250,000 tons of rolled steel. At \$140/ton, total exports in 1955 would amount to \$35 million. If the value of canned goods also increased by 56 percent, then the value of 1956 exports would total \$55 million. Based on State, Hong Kong, Survey of China Mainland Press (hereafter referred to as S of CMP), #1240, 5 Mar 56, p. 14, U and #1243, 8 Mar 56, p. 5, U.
6. "Trade Winds," China Reconstructs, VI, #9, Sep 57, p. 14, U.
7. FBIS, FE # 138, 18 Jul 57, p. A3, U.
8. All exports to the European Satellites are seaborne and have been estimated from cargo data. The volume of overland exports are unknown. Source: EIC-RI-86, Dec 57, p. 52, S.
9. State, Hong Kong, Current Background, #468, 22 Jul 57, p. 3 U.
10. State, Hong Kong, D52, 19 Jul 57, p. 2. C.
11. State, Hong Kong, S of CMP, #1423, 8 Mar 56, p. 5. U.
12. In some cases Free World countries reported the value without the corresponding volume. Where both value and volume were reported, an average price was calculated. Total volume could be estimated then by dividing this average price into the total value of trade.
13. State, Hong Kong, Current Background, #465, 9 Jul 57, p. 16. U.
14. "Trade Winds," China Reconstructs, VI, #2, Feb 57, p. 9, U.
15. Based on FBIS, FE #128, 28 Sep 54, OFFUSE and State, Hong Kong, Current Background, #353, 6 Sep 55, p. 41, U. However, a volume of 280,000 tons is suggested by the following: State, Hong Kong, Current Background, #468, 22 Jul 57, pp. 1-2, U. and EIC, Summary of World Broadcasts, V, 1, Economic Supplement, #291, 7 Nov 57, p. 13, U.
16. Based on State, Hong Kong, Extracts from China Mainland Magazines, #88, 24 Jun 57, pp. 11-12, U.
17. FBIS - 4303, Peking, Home, Feb 28, 57, OFF USE.
18. State, Hong Kong, Extracts from China Mainland Magazines, #88, 3 Sep 57, pp. 21-27, U.
19. EIC-RI-86, Dec 57, pp. 44-51, S.
20. Cargoes totalling 483,000 tons were identified as iron ore. However, it is believed that almost all of the unidentified cargo or 250,000 tons was iron ore.

21. Source No. 18. Iron and steel exports are given as 210,000 tons in FDD Summary #1642, 20 Jan 58, p. 10, U.
22. [REDACTED] 25X1X7
23. Source No. 18.
24. EIC-RL-S6, Dec 57, S. (Includes estimates of unrecorded trade).
25. Based on the 1955 commodity distribution as given in EIC-RL-S6, 30 Nov 56, p. 42, S. and the 1956 total volume of trade as given in EIC-RL-S6, Dec 57, p. 51, S.
26. State, Hong Kong, D45, 18 Jul 58, p. 3, S. However, another source reports imports at 88,200 tons, FDD, Summary #1588, 9 Dec 57, p. 52, U.
27. Byulleten Inostrannoy Kommercheskoy Informatsii, #36, 10 Aug 57, p. 2, U. and State, Hong Kong, D789, 27 Mar 58, p. 7, S.
28. FEIS, FE #130, 8 Jul 57, p. B8, U.
29. [REDACTED] 25X1X7